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Sir:

This is in response to the Final Office Action mailed May 20, 2005, the shortened statutory period for which runs until August 20, 2005. This response is presented in the format allowed by the Notice of the Office of Patent Legal Administration issued January 31, 2003.

There are no amendments to the specification. Amendments to the claims and Remarks, are presented on separate sheets below.